

A few miscellaneous items of interest that have appeared in news of editorial columns of individual newspapers.

Snap Shots and Short Stories

The question: 'Have claims that cigarettes may be connected with cancer affected your smoking habits?'

—By Edward W. Plaisted



SGT. LOUIS R. STEFANEK, 381 Lakeside drive, State policeman: "I'm not overly concerned about recent claims I read in The Post linking smoking to cancer. If smoking was as harmful as some would have us believe, then the government would ban the sale of tobacco."



EDWARD J. COYLE, 83 Placid avenue, Stratford, clothing salesman: "I'm a chain-smoker and use almost three packs a day. Maybe doctors are right that smoking will kill me. But I'm going to die of something some day and I want to go with a smile on my face and a cigarette in my mouth."



MRS. WANDA GADSKI, 125 Yarwood street, Stratford, Norden Ketay: "I don't smoke but my husband does. We're not worried about smoking causing cancer because there are too many things beside cigarettes which may cause cancer."



KARL A. GRAF, 5 Maple drive, Newtown, student at Colby college: "I don't smoke. Many of my college classmates do, however, and the publicity given to the subject hasn't altered their smoking habits one bit."



EDWIN C. GRAF, 137 Fairfield avenue, music store owner: "I smoke a pack of cigarettes a day. I have listened to the claims by some doctors that smoking causes cancer and they may be right. Regardless, I like to smoke and plan to continue to."



HEZEKIAH BRAXTON, 338 Hanover street, molder: "Cigarettes may well cause cancer but it doesn't bother me—I don't smoke."



STANLEY A. KAWECKI, 210 Thorne street, mechanic: "I like to smoke. Those claims by medical people don't bother me any more than the claims of many cigarette salesmen on television. I don't think smoking causes cancer. And furthermore, I plan to continue smoking a pack a day."



TROOPER JOHN J. WARD, 229 Victory street, Stratford, State policeman: "There are two things I enjoy in the world—coffee and a cigarette. Take these vices from me and there would be little joy in life. And what then would one do with a coffee break?"

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